General Information Sheet for Algebra 1A and 1B

*Teachers*: Ms. Hunt, Mrs. Scully, Mrs. Ficzko and Mr. Kolla

*Grading Policy:* Per quarter, grades will be calculated on the following **weighted** percentages:

**Tests/quizzes -- 65%**

**TAPS (Team Approach to Problem Solving) -- 20%**

**Classwork and Homework -- 15%**

Individual Tests are announced (quizzes can be announced or unannounced).

TAPS are team assessments given after each chapter.

Classwork includes homework quizzes, participation quizzes, and in-class group assignments.

To determine a final course grade, all quarter grades (20%) are averaged with the midterm (10%) and final (10%). **Individual extra credit will not be considered.**

*Retaking Assessments*

Students have the opportunity to retest individual chapter tests after coming after school for help and completing review problems. Time frame for re-test is 10 school days from date the test is returned. (Includes review day and re-take day). The retest will be the new recorded grade.

**The Math department will revisit and perhaps revise this practice after the first marking period.**

*Homework Policy:*

Homework is a method of reinforcement and will be assigned daily. It serves as a reinforcement of skills; therefore, it will be checked EVERY DAY. Students MUST make-up homework assignments when they are absent or forget to do their homework the night before. Missed homework assignments can be made up for ½ credit by the Friday of that week.

**NOTE**: If you leave out any problems or don’t show work, then this is considered incomplete. Homework is done in the notebook unless otherwise stated.

*Absence Policy:* If a student is absent, then he or she has the responsibility to make up missed work. Students have the number of days they were absent to make-up the homework. Students are responsible for showing the teacher your completed work.

*Necessary Materials:*

**TI-84 Plus** (TI-83 Plus also acceptable) graphing calculator (required) with four spare AAA batteries

2 inch binder with dividers

¼ inch graph paper notebook with 3 holes (to keep in binder)

Loose leaf paper (to keep in binder)

Sharpened pencils and erasers

Ruler

Colored pencils

Each page of the graph paper notebook should include the date, classwork, and homework (with the appropriate work and corrected answers).

*Class Rules:*

1) Lateness will not be tolerated. If a student is late for class, he/she must have a late pass

signed by a teacher.

2) Students should work from bell to bell.

3) Follow directions the first time. If you need clarification, just ask!

4) Respect classroom environment and all school and classroom rules.

5) Students should not abuse their bathroom privileges.

6) Remember to ask for permission for just about everything.

7.) Cell phones **may not be out or used during class**

Cheating:

All students are expected to do their own work. Cheating is a serious offense and result in a

zero and a disciplinary referral.

Cell phones are strictly prohibited during tests and quizzes. If the cell phone is out, visible,

or touched/looked at the student will automatically receive a zero . . . no exceptions.

*Other information:* Additional help/tutoring is available with the teacher or the National Honor Society Tutors, please make arrangements with the teacher.

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homework help: homework.cpm.org

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